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JUNE 2025

#### 2025 Legislative Committee

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## 2025 Legislative Calendar

- Two-year session begins: December 1, 2024
- Bill Introduction Deadline: February 21, 2025
  - Policy & Fiscal Committees Meet in House of Origin
- House of Origin Deadline: June 6, 2025
- Policy Committee Deadline: July 18, 2025
- Fiscal Committee Deadline: August 29, 2025
- End of Session (Year One): September 12, 2025
- Governor's Signing Deadline: October 12, 2025



AB 306 - As Amended on May 13, June 10, & June 23

**Author:** Shultz, D-Burbank

**CALBO Position: OPPOSE** 

- From October 2025 June 2031: Prohibits local cities and counties from modifying residential building standards, except, as specified:
  - Local residential standards were filed and effective by September 30,
    2025
  - Local residential standards relate to home hardening
  - In times of declared emergencies
- Amendments restored the state triennial (and intervening) code adoption cycles
  - Intervening cycle still limited to editorial changes, emergency standards, incorporating errata from model codes, or Chapter 7A/WUI



#### AB 306 – As Amended on May 13, June 10, & June 23

- Amendments reference the recently adopted (International) WUI code to ensure continued adoption and enforcement
- Still does not apply to commercial; would create 2 separate codes to enforce
- Supported by Assembly Speaker Rivas & CBIA



#### AB 306 – As Amended on May 13, June 10, & June 23

- Changes effective date from June to October 1, 2025
- Clarifies the circumstances in which amendments to the state codes may be taken during the intervening code cycle.



# AB 306 – Bill is now AB 130 WHY?

- AB 306 will likely not move forward or receive any further attention
  - The provisions have now been amended into AB 130 a "budget trailer bill"
  - This does <u>NOT</u> mean that Governor Newsom will approve
  - Newsom has "line item" veto authority
- This move likely indicates that AB 306 likely did not have necessary political support
- June 23 amendments shifted the date from January 1, 2025 to September 30, 2025 for local ordinances to be allowed and considered as the base-line prior to the moratorium.

# AB 306 – Bill is now AB 130 WHY?

- All provisions from the June 23 version of AB 306 have been included in AB 130
  - Same provisions and new restrictions moving forward as of October 1, 2025.
- Yes, this is a shady action but typical political maneuvering.
  - It is 100% permissible.
- CALBO Remains OPPOSED.
  - The model code entities continue to be opposed alongside us.
  - Our political focus now will be with the Administration seeking a line-item veto.

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AB 253 – As Amended on March 13

**Author:** Ward, D-San Diego

**CALBO Position: OPPOSE** 

- Dual Referral to Senate Housing
- California Residential Private Permitting Review Act
- AB 253 is based upon a model approved for accessory-dwelling unit (ADU) permitting (AB 1332, 2023).
- Local government would be required to develop & post a fee schedule



AB 253 – As Amended on March 13

**Author:** Ward, D-San Diego

**CALBO Position: OPPOSE** 

- Dual Referral to Senate Housing
- If a plan check will take longer than 30 days (per the local building department), AB 253 would allow an applicant for a residential permit to engage with a third-party plan check firm of their choice.
- Goal to accelerate housing permits and construction
- Senate Local Gov Committee could kill



AB 1206 – As Amended on June 9 & June 24

Author: Harabedian, D-Pasadena

**CALBO Position: OPPOSE** 

- Dual Referral to Senate Housing
- Would require local jurisdictions to create (and post online) preapproved plans for single-family and multi-family residential construction projects
- Plans would have to be available by July 1, 2026
- Amendments added lot conditions as consideration, in addition to extending implementation deadline by 6 months

AB 1206 – As Amended on June 9 & June 24

Author: Harabedian, D-Pasadena

**CALBO Position: OPPOSE** 

- Dual Referral to Senate Housing
- Projects using the pre-approved plans would have to be approved within 30 days
- Also similar to AB 1332 model approved for accessory-dwelling unit (ADU) permitting in 2023
- June 9 amendments specify when CEQA will not apply to the plan review process
- June 23 amendments require permittee statement to indemnify and minimize liability for the jurisdiction

AB 1308 – As Amended on April 30

**Author:** Hoover, D-Folsom

**CALBO Position: OPPOSE** 

- Dual Referral to Senate Housing
- Requires local building departments to offer an estimated timeframe to permittees for inspection
- Should estimate exceed 30 days, AB 1308 allows permittee to contract a private third party (at permittee's expense) to inspect an ensure compliance with applicable codes
- Requires permittee to submit third-party findings to local building department and requires action/approval by locals within 14 days

AB 1308 – As Amended on April 30

**Author:** Hoover, D-Folsom

**CALBO Position: OPPOSE** 

- Dual Referral to Senate Housing
- Defines circumstances where if building department does not act, the third-party work will be deemed compliant and/or permittee may be entitled to a permit fee refund
- Amendments will be taken in Senate Local Gov that will extend jurisdictional approval timeline

AB 750 – As Amended on April 9 & June 10

**Author:** Quirk-Silva, D-La Palma

**CALBO Position: OPPOSE, unless amended** 

**Current Location:** Senate Judiciary Committee

- Would require all local jurisdictions to inspect homeless shelters annually
- Amendments allowed for attorney's fees to be recoverable by the plaintiff
- CALBO has offered clarifying amendments that will outline the timeline in which the inspection is to be conducted

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AB 339 – As Amended on June 18

**Author:** Ortega, D-Hayward

**CALBO Position: OPPOSE** 

**Current Location:** Senate Labor Committee (Stalled)

- Would require notification of local organized labor groups anytime an RFP is released. Amendments reduced notification period from 120 to 60 days to notify of pending RFP release.
- Amendments extended the deadline in which an employee organization (labor union) can confer following notification
- Direct competition to other measures that require streamlining at the local level
- Similar measure to AB 2557 of last year
- Coalition Opposition

AB 6- As Amended on May 6

Author: Ward, D-San Diego

**CALBO Position: OPPOSE** 

**Current Location:** Senate Housing

- AB 6 would require HCD to convene a working group no later than December 2026 to assess the current definition of multifamily (5+ units)
- Amendments specified that the bill applies to residential units built under the California Residential Code
- The report would be due back to the Governor & State Legislature by December 2028 (amended)
- An effort to expand the definition and ultimately fast-track multifamily construction
- Lobbied as part of CALBO's Leadership & Advocacy Day

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#### **Upcoming Events**

#### Education Week North

- Burlingame (Bay Area)
- September 29 October 2, 2025
- Virtual & In-Person Attendance Available

#### Education Week South

- Costa Mesa (Orange County)
- October 27-30, 2025
- Virtual & In-Person Attendance Available

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